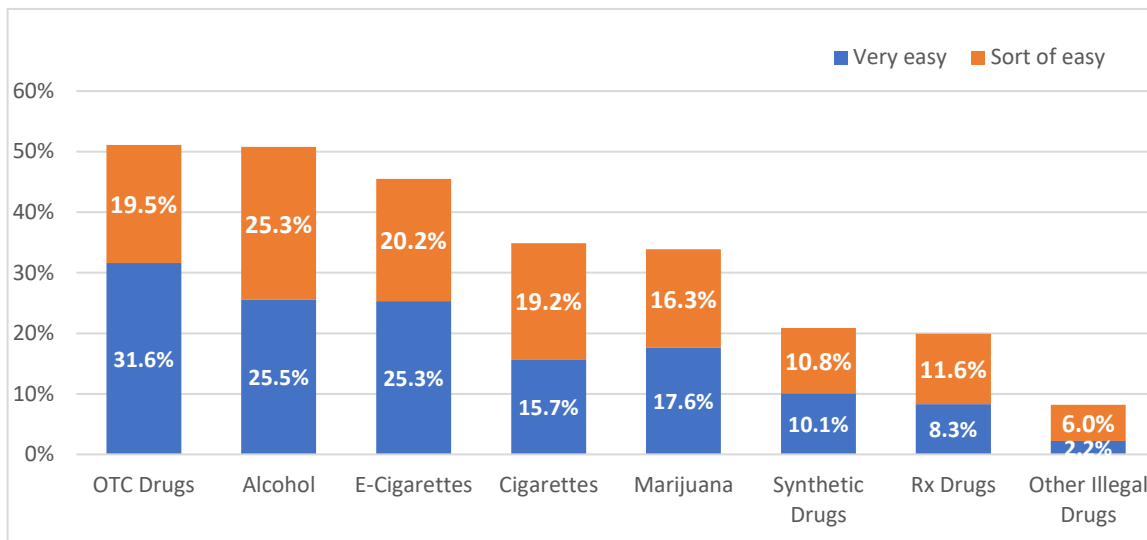


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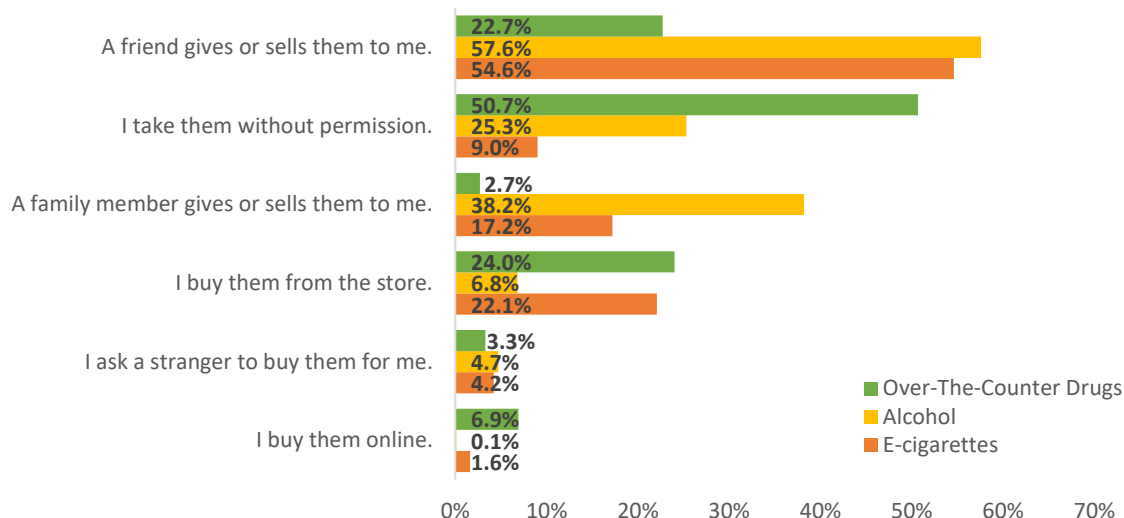
## Substance Availability

The Missouri Student Survey, administered in 2022 to 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders in Missouri, asked youth how easy it would be to get several substances. About 51.1% of youth believed that it would be very easy or sort of easy to obtain over-the-counter drugs, 50.8% to obtain alcohol, and 45.5% to obtain e-cigarettes.



Methods of access varied based on substance. Over-the-counter drugs were most accessed by taking them without permission, and alcohol and e-cigarettes were most accessed through a friend. Of the three substances, both friends and family members were most likely to give or sell alcohol to their youth above any of the other two substances.

## Method of Access



Find more data like this from the Missouri Student Survey on the Department of Mental Health's website at [www.seow.dmh.mo.gov](http://www.seow.dmh.mo.gov).